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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants are enclosing copies of several documents which may be material to examination of the present application.

More specifically, Applicants are submitting a copy of a PCT Search Report (PCT/ISA/220 and 210), which was issued on May 3, 2002 by the European Patent Office (EPO) in a PCT application (PCT/US01/28226) that corresponds to the present U.S. application. In this regard, the PCT application has a

disclosure equivalent to the disclosure of the present U.S. application, and has been amended under PCT Article 34 to include claims equivalent to the currently-pending claims of the present U.S. application. The PCT Search Report cites four documents, and a copy of each is enclosed. Each of these four enclosed documents is also listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under 37 CFR §1.97(b), or in other words prior to mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is believed to be due for filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Favorable consideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: PCT Search Report (6 pages)

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